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SUMMARY. IN LENGTHY CONVERSATION REPORTED REFTEL,
ROMANIAN FIRST SECRETARY CROITORU EXPRESSED MEASURE OF
SATISFACTION WITH CURRENT STATE UK-ROMANIAN RELATIONS.
END SUMMARY.

1. DURING LENGTHY CONVERSATION ON OTHER TOPICS,
AUGUST 4. ROMANIAN FIRST SECRETARY MIHAI CROITORU
EXPRESSED A MEASURE OF SATISFACTION IN RECENT UP-TURN OF
UK-ROMANIAN RELATIONS.

2. CROITORU CITED TRADE UNION CONTACTS AND RECENT FIVE-
HOUR STOP-OVER IN LONDON BY CEAUSESCU EN ROUTE BACK TO
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ROMANIA AFTER HIS WASHINGTON VISIT. ATMOSPHERE OF THE

MEETING BETWEEN WILSON AND CEAUSESCU WAS "WARM" ACCORDING TO CROITORU. DURING THE CONVERSATION, CEAUSESCU INVITED WILSON TO VISIT ROMANIA WHICH IS BEING SCHEDULED FOR LATE SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR. CEAUSESCU WILL THEN RETURN TO BRITAIN FOR A MORE EXTENDED VISIT IN 1976 (FYI. ROMANIANS APPARENTLY STILL WANT TO GIVE THAT VISIT AT LEAST A TOUCH OF CLASS WITH CONTACT WITH ROYAL FAMILY. END FYI).

3. CROITORU ALSO INDICATED WILSON AND CEAUSESCU MET INFORMALLY IN HELSINKI, BUT DID NOT GIVE ANY DETAILS.

4. CROITORU POINTED OUT REASON FOR HIS ENTHUSIASM: LACK OF HIGH-LEVEL EXCHANGE OF VISITS WITH UK SINCE LAST LABOR GOVERNMENT BEFORE 1970. TORIES, HE SAID, HAD EMPHASIZED CONNECTIONS WITH WESTERN EUROPE AND EEC MEMBERSHIP AT THE EXPENSE OF THEIR CONTACTS WITH EASTERN EUROPE WHILE THEY WERE IN POWER. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE ALSO MENTIONED FOREIGN SECRETARY CALLAGHAN'S RECENT VISITS TO POLAND AND HUNGARY (AS WELL AS BILATERAL MEETINGS IN HELSINKI) AS EVIDENCE FOR A NEW UK INITIATIVE TOWARD EASTERN EUROPE.

5. ALMOST PARENTHETICALLY, HE NOTED THAT TUC GENERAL SECRETARY MURRAY IS ALSO COMMITTED TO A ROMANIAN VISIT FOR WHICH NO TIME HAS YET BEEN SET.

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